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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

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1. On 1 December 1977 a meeting was held with the Project SAFE Architect-Engineer (A-E) to initiate requirements. The



2. Prior to the meeting all the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) representatives gathered in the Headquarters Engineering Branch (HEB), RECD/OL to discuss strategy as affected by the possible consolidation of the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and CIA SAFE facilities. Because a dual facility would certainly require additional space and associated utilities support, it was readily apparent that the space presently ear-marked for SAFE would be inadequate. If that were the case, the presently funded C Vault expansion at \$700,000, C Vault redesign at \$7,000, SAFE A-E at \$108,000, SAFE generator installation at \$570,000, would all be wasted effort and would have to be duplicated for a larger facility located at some other location. Not wishing to lose the present momentum on this project it was agreed that we would concentrate on the ADSTAR portion which has a real bring-on-line date obstructed only by the need to obtain additional space. Even if the decision ultimately is to build a new building for a specified facility to house CIA/DIA SAFE type functions, it must be assumed that this will occur in a minimum time frame of 5 to 7 years. If this is the case, then one half of a joint facility might suffice for an "interim" concept and could conceivably justify a continued site preparation such as that already under way. If the new joint facility does subsequently become ready and SAFE moves into it, then other computer environment type customers such as ODP could backfill the SAFE area in all probability.

3. Cash flow problems associated with procurement of the third 2500 kW generator were also discussed with mention made of possible Logistics funding this fiscal year so as to make that equipment available for inclusion under the present generator installation project. Recognizing the difficulty

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of recouping FY-1978 money even if future SAFE dollars are made available, the deciding factor becomes more one of analyzing the present value of installing the third generator along with the second one against initiating a totally new contract at some future date.

4. It was agreed that we must either proceed with the General Services Administration (GSA) and its A-E on the basis of designing a facility to house ADSTAR and CIA SAFE or instruct GSA that the possibility of inclusion of another agency would create increased requirements to a point that all present efforts are being wasted and, therefore, should be stopped without delay. Since the construction of the facility might be used either for an interim SAFE, or for other computer type environment requirements and that so many facets are already in motion; it was agreed that we would proceed with the A-E without involving him in possible turnabout resulting from a decision to consolidate. When [redacted] arrived it was evident that he was interested only in architectural considerations. [redacted]

spent a few minutes expressing his wishes that the electrical A-E take requirements and accomplish the design rather than requesting the Agency to provide so much descriptive information as to approach an in-house design. [redacted] stipulated that he was not after the layout of the computer area as such after [redacted] explained that the computer system had not as yet been designed and much of the specific information which would ultimately be required was, therefore, not available. [redacted] requested information relative to functions and requirements of the Admin Support Office, the libraries for tapes and discs, the lounging area, and the staging and storage areas. [redacted] described each of these areas in turn explaining that he had no desire to indicate where they should go or how they should look but that was only explaining the functions and approximate numbers of people involved.

[redacted] did indicate a requirement for a control center that would enable the supervisor to see over the installed equipment sufficiently to observe personnel responding to directions from that center. He described a need for sufficient controls that would enable the supervisor to recognize excursions from established environmental conditions, proper utility support, and all equipment problems in a manner that would enable him to take corrective action before customer queries started

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coming in. [REDACTED] was given a copy of the SAFE Request for Proposal information which described the SAFE system and its environmental requirements.

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